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Sir:

This amendment for the patent application identified above is in response to the Office Action dated April 6, 2006, which set a shortened statutory period for response that expires on July 6, 2006.

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